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Docket No.: 99-617 Date: February 14, 2001

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Inventor Name(s):				
CLIFFORD E. COTTON	, III			

Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR ADJUSTING THE PRE-LOAD OF A SPRING

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES Fee from	142 1,240 242 620 Utility issue fee (or reissue)			
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